Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for populating a contact list on a portable device, the method comprising:

extracting contact information from a number of messages stored in a memory in the portable device; and

automatically entering the extracted contact information upon extraction into a contact list maintained by a program operating on the portable device.

- 2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein extracting contact information includes monitoring incoming messages and retrieving contact information from incoming messages.
- 3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein contact information includes a simple mail transfer protocol (SMTP) email address.
- 4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein extracting contact information includes scanning a message database and retrieving contact information from messages contained in the database.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 4, wherein only messages sent or received before a preselected time <u>stamp</u>, after a preselected time <u>stamp</u> or during a preselected time period <u>between time stamps</u> are scanned.
- 6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 45, wherein only messages sent or received after a time of a last scan are scanned.
- 7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein entering the extracted contact information into a contact list maintained by a program operating on the portable device

includes providing a graphical user interface (GUI) with contact information configured to receive a selection from a user of the portable device.

- 8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein entering the extracted contact information into a contact list maintained by a program operating on the portable device includes automatically entering in the contact list only contact information not already contained in the contact list.
- 9. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising filtering contact information to include or exclude from the contact list contact information from emails received from certain domains.
- 10. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising filtering contact information to include or exclude from the contact list contact information from retrieved addresses from certain domains.
- 11. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising filtering contact information to include in the contact list only email sender information.
- 12. (Currently Amended) In a portable device, a user interface configured to facilitate the populating of a contact list, the user interface being embedded, at least in part, on a computer readable medium, the user interface comprising:

means for extracting contact information from a number of messages stored in a memory in the portable device;

means for presenting the extracted contact information from a plurality of the number of messages at once on the portable device prior to any storing of the extracted contact information in a user viewable information database;

means for receiving a number of selections of contacts to be stored in the contact list; and

means for entering the selected contact information into a contact list maintained by a program operating on the portable device.

- 13. (Original) The user interface of claim 12, wherein means for presenting extracted contact information on the portable device includes means for providing a checklist of extracted contact information.
- 14. (Original) The user interface of claim 12, wherein means for presenting the extracted contact information on the portable device includes a display on a wireless application protocol (WAP) phone.
- 15. (Original) The user interface of claim 12, wherein means for entering the selected contact information into a contact list maintained by a program operating on the portable device includes means for automatically entering in the contact list only contact information not already contained in the contact list.
 - 16. (Original) A processing system comprising:
 - a central processing unit (CPU); and
- a storage device coupled to a processor and having stored there information for configuring the CPU to:

extract information from a number of messages stored in memory in the portable device; and

enter contact information into a contact list maintained by a program operating on the portable device, wherein the existing contact information is modified with the extracted information or is replaced with the extracted information.

- 17. (Original) The system of claim 16, wherein the CPU is further configured to monitor incoming messages and retrieve contact information from incoming messages.
- 18. (Original) The system of claim 16, wherein the CPU is further configured to scan a message database and retrieve contact information from messages contained in the database.

- 19. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 16, wherein the CPU is further configured to provide a graphical user interface (GUI) with contact information configured to receive a selection from a user of the portable device.
- 20. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 16, wherein the CPU is further configured to automatically enter into the contact list only contact information not already contained in the contact list.
- 21. (Currently Amended) A system for populating a contact list on a portable device, the system comprising:

means embodied at least in part on a computer readable medium for extracting contact information from a number of messages stored in a memory in the portable device; and

means embodied at least in part on a computer readable medium for entering the extracted information into a contact list maintained by a program operating on the portable device prior to any storing of the extracted information in any other user viewable information database.

- 22. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the contact list includes contact entries and wherein each entry is configured to present phone information for a contact
- 23. (New) The user interface of claim 12, wherein the contact list includes contact entries and wherein each entry is configured to present phone information for a contact.
- 24. (New) The system of claim 16, wherein the contact list includes contact entries and wherein each entry is configured to present phone information for a contact.
- 25. (New) A method for populating a contact list on a portable device, the method comprising:

extracting contact information from a number of messages stored in a memory in the portable device; and

entering the extracted contact information into a contact list maintained by a program operating on the portable device, wherein extracting contact information includes scanning a message database and retrieving contact information from messages contained in the database and wherein only messages sent or received after a time of a last scan are scanned.